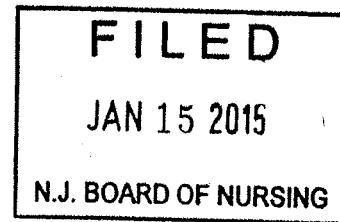


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BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION	:	Administrative Action
OR REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE OF	:	
	:	ORDER OF SUSPENSION
DOREEN CARAVELLA, R.N.	:	OF LICENSE
LICENSE # NO 09514200	:	
	:	
TO PRACTICE AS A REGISTERED	:	
NURSE (R.N.) IN THE	:	
STATE OF NEW JERSEY	:	

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing ("Board") upon receipt of information indicating the following:

1. Respondent, Doreen Caravella, is the holder of License No. NO 09514200 and is a registered nurse in the State of New Jersey.

2. Respondent entered into a private letter agreement with the Board which she signed on or about October 14, 2014. (Exhibit A) The agreement required respondent to enroll in the Recovery and Monitoring Program of New Jersey (RAMP), undergo

evaluation and monitoring, agree to follow recommendations by RAMP for further treatment, and to refrain from the use of any and all potentially addictive substances. (Exhibit A, ¶¶2, 6, and 10) The agreement was to have the force and effect of a Board Order within the intendment of N.J.A.C. 13:45C-1.4. In the event that the Board received reliable information that respondent had acted in violation of the RAMP contract and/or the agreement, the agreement was no longer to remain confidential.

3. In a communication dated October 31, 2014, Case Manager Jillian Scott of RAMP advised the Board that respondent was noncompliant with her RAMP monitoring agreement, in that she had a positive hair test for hydrocodone, oxycodone and Tramadol on October 21, 2014 and would not discuss this or provide valid prescriptions for the oxycodone or Tramadol. On October 31, 2014, she informed RAMP that she had decided not to continue participation in the RAMP program. She subsequently did not appear for a scheduled urine screening on October 29, 2014. (Exhibit B) This constitutes a violation of the private letter agreement signed by respondent.

4. A certification from RAMP's director dated January 13, 2015 indicated that Ms. Caravella has not participated in RAMP since a telephone check-in on October 27, 2014. (Exhibit D)

5. On or about December 31, 2014, a letter issued by overnight and regular mail to respondent at her address of record, advising respondent that the Board had received credible information indicating that she was not in compliance with the private letter agreement, and advising her to forward within five days any proof that she was currently in compliance with RAMP. (Exhibit C)

6. The overnight mailing of the letter of noncompliance was delivered on January 2, 2015. (Exhibit C) No response has been received to date.

7. The private letter agreement signed by respondent, which by its terms has the force and effect of a Board order within the intendment of N.J.A.C. 13:45C-1.4, provided for automatic suspension of respondent's nursing license upon receipt of reliable information indicating that respondent has violated any term of the private letter agreement. (Exhibit A, ¶13)

Accordingly,

IT IS on this 15th day of January, 2015

HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. Respondent's license to practice nursing in the State of New Jersey shall be and hereby is suspended for her violation of the private letter agreement, which is deemed a violation of a

Board order within the intendment of N.J.A.C. 13:45C-1.4 and N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e).

2. Respondent may, under the terms of the private letter agreement, upon notice, request a hearing on the sole issue of whether respondent has failed to comply with the terms of the private letter agreement.

3. In the event that respondent seeks reinstatement of her New Jersey nursing license at any future time, the Board shall not entertain any application for reinstatement without respondent's demonstrating that she is in full compliance with the terms and conditions of the private letter agreement and with any agreement with RAMP, and is fit and competent to practice nursing.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By:



Patricia Ann Murphy, PhD, APN, C
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